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Collection Summary

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Location: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Summary: Physicist, astrophysicist, and educator. Correspondence, computation notebooks, technical memoranda and notes, patents, teaching files, astronomical observations, grants and projects, subject files, legal files, speeches, writings, biographical material, awards, printed matter, photographs, and other papers relating to Townes's career beginning in 1948.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

People

Abella, Isaac D., 1934- --Correspondence.
Basov, N. G. (Nikolai Gennadievich), 1922-2001--Correspondence.
Chiao, Raymond Y.--Correspondence.
Danchi, William Clifford--Correspondence.
Dicke, Robert H. (Robert Henry)--Correspondence.
Genzel, Reinhard, 1952- --Correspondence.
Greyber, Howard D., 1923- --Correspondence.
Javan, Ali, 1926- --Correspondence.
Letokhov, V. S.--Correspondence.
Ottusch, John J.--Correspondence.
Prokhorov, A. M. (Aleksandr Mikhaïlovich), 1916- --Correspondence.
Rydbeck, O. E. H. (Olof Erik Hans), 1911- --Correspondence.
Schawlow, Arthur L., 1921-1999--Correspondence.
Shimoda, Kōichi--Correspondence.
Shockley, William, 1910-1989--Correspondence.
Townes, Charles H.
Wang, Tien-Chuan--Correspondence.
Wollman, Eric Robert, 1947- --Correspondence.

Organizations

Committee on Scholarly Communication with the People's Republic of China (U.S.)
Institute for Defense Analyses.
JASON Defense Advisory Group.
National Academy of Sciences (U.S.)
Perkin-Elmer Corporation.
Research Corporation.
United States. Army Research Office.
United States. National Aeronautics and Space Administration.
United States. National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Science and Technology Advisory Committee for Manned Space Flight.
United States. Office of Naval Research.
University of California, Berkeley.
University of California, Berkeley. Quantum Electronics and Astrophysics Group.

Subjects

Aeronautics.
Astrophysics--Research.
Astrophysics--Study and teaching.
Astrophysics.
Lasers.
Manned space flight--United States.
Masers.
Microwave spectroscopy.
Nobel Prizes.
Physics--Awards.
Physics.
Quantum electronics--Research.
Quantum electronics--Study and teaching.
Quantum electronics.
Religion and science.
Religion--Awards.
Science and state--United States.
Science--International cooperation.
Technology and state--United States.
Templeton Foundation Prize.

Places

United States--Defenses.
United States--Military policy.

Occupations

Astrophysicists.
Educators.
Physicists.

Administrative Information

Provenance

The papers of Charles H. Townes, physicist, astrophysicist, and educator, were given to the Library of Congress by Townes in 1999. Numerous additions were given by him between 2000 and 2009.

Transfers

Audiotapes and videotapes have been transferred to the Library's Motion Picture, Broadcasting, and Recorded Sound Division where they are identified as part of these papers.

Other Repositories

Other papers of Charles H. Townes can be found in the Bancroft Library of the University of California, Berkeley, California.

Copyright Status

Copyright in the unpublished writings of Charles H. Townes in these papers and in other collections of papers in the custody of the Library of Congress has been dedicated to the public.

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Security Classified Documents

Government regulations control the use of security classified material in this collection. Manuscript Division staff can furnish information concerning access to and use of classified materials.

Digital Format

Digital files were received as part of the papers of Charles H. Townes. Reference copies were created from the original digital media. Advanced notice is required for access to digital content; consult reference staff in the Manuscript Division for more information.

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Biographical Note

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
1915, July 28	Born, Greenville, S.C.
1935	B.A., modern languages, and B.S., physics, Furman University, Greenville, S.C.
1937	M.A., physics, Duke University, Durham, N.C.
1937-1939	Assistant in physics, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, Calif.
1939	Ph.D., physics, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, Calif.
1939-1947	Technical staff, Bell Telephone Laboratories, New Jersey, including design and development of radar bombing and navigation systems for Allied bombers
1941	Married Frances Hildreth Brown
1948-1961	Associate professor of physics, Columbia University, New York, N.Y.; appointed professor, 1950; executive director, Columbia Radiation Laboratory, 1950-1952; chairman, Physics Department, 1952-1955; on sabbatical in Europe and Japan, 1955-1956; on leave to the Institute of Defense Analyses, 1959-1961
1952	Published with Paul Kisliuk, <i>Molecular Microwave Spectra Tables</i> . Washington, D.C.: U.S. Government Printing Office
1953	Successfully tested first practical maser device
1955	Published with Arthur L. Schawlow, <i>Microwave Spectroscopy</i> . New York: McGraw-Hill Awarded Guggenheim fellowship
1955-1956	Guggenheim fellow and Fulbright lecturer, University of Paris, Paris, France, and University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan
1958	Introduced with Arthur L. Schawlow, concept of the optical maser (laser)
1959	Awarded Patent No. 2,879,439 for production of electromagnetic energy (basic maser patent)

1959-1961	Vice president and director of research, Institute of Defense Analyses, Washington, D.C.
1959-1969	Consultant, President's Scientific Advisory Committee; member, 1966-1969
1960	Awarded with Arthur L. Schawlow, Patent No. 2,929,922 for maser and maser communication systems (basic laser patent) Editor and contributor, <i>International Quantum Electronics Conference</i> . New York: Columbia University Press
1961-1966	Provost and professor of physics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass.
1963	Scott lecturer, University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada
1964	Awarded Nobel Prize in Physics with N. G. Basov and A. M. Prokhorov for contributions to fundamental work in quantum electronics leading to the development of the maser and laser
1964-1970	Chairman, Science and Technology Advisory Committee for Manned Space Flight, National Aeronautics and Space Administration
1966-1985	Director, Perkin-Elmer Corp.
1967-2014	Professor of physics, University of California, Berkeley, Calif.; professor emeritus, 1986-2014
1973-1986	Director, General Motors Corp.
1976	Member, President's Advisory Committee on Science and Technology
1995	Published <i>Making Waves</i> . Woodbury, N.Y.: American Institute of Physics
1999	Published <i>How the Laser Happened: Adventures of a Scientist</i> . New York: Oxford University Press
2002-2003	Karl Schwarzschild lecturer in Germany; Birla lecturer and Schroedinger lecturer in India
2002	Awarded Trotter Prize, Texas A&M University, College Station, Tex.
2005	Awarded Templeton Foundation Prize for contributions to the understanding of religion
2015, Jan. 27	Died, Oakland, Calif.

Scope and Content Note

The papers of Charles Hard Townes (1915-2015) span the years 1898-2009, with the bulk of the material dating from 1948 to 2000. The papers are organized into the following series: [General Correspondence](#), [Personal File](#), [Alphabetical File](#), [Academic File](#), [Grants and Projects](#), [Patent and Litigation File](#), [Speech and Engagement File](#), [Writings](#), [Photographs and Slides](#), [Classified](#), [Oversize](#), and [Digital Files](#).

The [General Correspondence](#) is comprised mostly of a chronological file of letters spanning the years 1978-2002 and probably maintained as a central file. Crank mail sometimes referred to as "special letters" by Townes dates from 1962 to 1998. Further correspondence resides in the [Personal File](#) and the [Alphabetical File](#).

The [Personal File](#) contains mostly correspondence, interviews, awards, and biographical information. Correspondence includes letters of advice to students, letters of recommendation, and personal and family letters. Interviews conducted by organizations, including the Laser History Project, chronicle Townes's development of the maser and the laser. An awards file kept by Townes begins with his 1964 receipt of the Nobel Prize, but information for that event is sparse. Other underrepresented or nonexistent years include 1971-1975, 1981-1982, and 1984-2004. A large amount of material covers his win of the Templeton Prize in 2005. A list of awards and honors, bio bibliographies prepared for the University of California, a chronological file, and background forms for publications provides biographical information.

The [Alphabetical File](#) contains the largest amount of material and covers Townes's membership in and leadership of various academic, scientific, and governmental organizations. In 1959 Townes began work for the Institute for Defense Analyses in Washington, D.C., a nonprofit agency organized to assist the United States government with technical advice. Growing out of the institute and founded in 1960 was the JASON Defense Advisory Group, a part-time defense think tank for university professors that evaluated national issues involving science and technology. Townes continued with the group through the 1990s. Material for the institute and the JASON Defense Advisory Group includes correspondence, contract agreements, reports, studies, and printed matter. For the National Academy of Sciences, Townes served on the Committee on Scholarly Communications with the People's Republic of China. Documentation for this committee includes meeting minutes, correspondence, reports, and an account by Townes of visits to Chinese astronomical centers in 1977. At the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Townes served as a consultant to the Science and Technology Advisory Committee for Manned Space Flight in 1964 and later sat on the review panels for the Hubble Space Telescope. Further information on the Hubble Space Telescope is located in files pertaining to the Perkin-Elmer Corporation. Material relating to his work at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration includes meeting minutes, correspondence and memoranda, testimony before Congress, reports, studies, blueprints, and printed matter. Of note are the appointments of Townes through the years to various presidential science and technology committees.

The [Alphabetical File](#) also contains a large amount of correspondence. Correspondents include Isaac D. Abella, N. G. Basov, Raymond Y. Chiao, William Clifford Danchi, Robert H. Dicke, Reinhard Genzel, Howard D. Greyber, Ali Javan, V. S. Letokhov, John J. Ottusch, A. M. Prokhorov, O. E. H. Rydbeck, Arthur L. Schawlow, William Shockley, Kōichi Shimoda, Tien Chuan Wang, and Eric Robert Wollman.

The [Academic File](#) includes Townes's notebooks and memoranda along with material relating to the physics courses and graduate students he taught over the years. His computation notebooks cover the years 1948-1994, with the notebook dated from July 1, 1957 to May 1, 1965, containing the invention of the optical maser or laser. Townes's memoranda and notes on interferometry written alone and with associates cover the years 1982-1989, his technical memoranda date from 1979 to 1999, and seven volumes of personal notebooks on physics are undated. Teaching physics at American universities and abroad, his courses covered quantum electronics and mechanics, optics, nuclear physics, and astrophysics. He worked closely with graduate students, some of whose computation notebooks, writings and publications, correspondence, and experiments are among the files. Townes also served as the faculty sponsor for the Quantum Electronics and Astrophysics Group, a research unit operating under the University of California at Berkeley that employed postdoctoral fellows and visiting scholars from the United States and abroad to work on grant-funded projects. Agencies that funded projects include the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and the Office of Naval Research. Related grant files are located in [Grants and Projects](#).

The [Grants and Projects](#) series is comprised of files on grant-funded projects carried out by Townes, his colleagues, and graduate students at the University of California at Berkeley. Material includes applications, contracts, correspondence, proposals, budgets, and reports. Agencies that funded projects include the Army Research Office, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Office of Naval Research, and the University of California Committee on Research. The projects include developing equipment for astronomical observations.

The [Patent and Litigation File](#) documents legal cases involving maser and laser patents. The largest amount of material concerns Patent Number 2,879,439, on the production of electromagnetic energy. Townes assigned the maser patent to the Research Corporation whose attorney, Harold Stowell, handled their legal matters. Material related to this period includes the original patent and correspondence with Stowell and Stowell Law Offices. By 1970, Dana M. Raymond represented the Research Corporation. His original files, designated with the R34 prefix, contain investigatory material from the case *Gould v. Schawlow* and material from the two patent infringement cases he pursued, *Research Corporation v. Spectra-Physics* and *Research Corporation v. Coherent Radiation*. The correspondence with the Research Corporation also relates to the maser patent and to infringement cases. Raymond's files probably became part of this collection after their use along with those of

Townes for the Laser History Project. In 1966, Gordon Gould challenged Patent Number 2,929,922, the laser patent held by Townes and Arthur L. Schawlow, in the case *Gould v. Schawlow*. Townes and Schawlow prevailed. Of interest is a chronological file on Gould chronicling his decades of patent litigation. Inquiries about the maser and the laser as well as their history are located in [Writings](#).

The [Speech and Engagement File](#) covers Townes's career from 1948 to 2008 with some gaps in the latter years. The miscellaneous speeches filed at the end of each year contain Townes's handwritten drafts while many of the printed versions are among the numbered works in [Writings](#). Events attended by Townes are also found in the [Alphabetical File](#) usually listed under the name of an organization.

The papers are rounded out by a [Writings](#) series comprised mostly of articles, books, and printed speeches, and a [Photographs and Slides](#) series. The photographs relate to events attended by Townes and his childhood while the slides are of images used in the classroom or for publications. A [Classified](#) file contains correspondence, minutes, and an article related to atmospheric absorption and the Institute of Radio Engineers. [Oversize](#) items consist of blueprints, photographs, a broadside, and card file index.

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged in twelve series:

- [General Correspondence, 1962-2002](#)
- [Personal File, 1948-2005](#)
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Description of Series

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General Correspondence, 1962-2002

Incoming and outgoing correspondence, including attachments, between Townes and family, friends, colleagues, organizations, and the public relating to personal and professional activities.

Arranged in chronological and crank mail files.

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Personal File, 1948-2005

Correspondence, including letters of advice to students, letters of recommendation, and personal and family letters, biographical information, interviews, awards, appointment calendars, and lists of appointments to organizations and committees.

Arranged alphabetically by topic or type of material.

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Alphabetical File, 1929-2006

Correspondence, memoranda, reports, minutes, consulting contracts, speeches, writings, drafts and notes, photographs, blueprints, printed matter, and financial records.

Arranged in three files and therein alphabetically by name of person, organization, or topic, roughly following the groupings established by Townes. A Columbia University file closely follows Townes's tenure at that institution from 1948 to 1961. Files titled Set A and Set B largely begin with Townes's move to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1961 and continue through his years with the University of California at Berkeley.

Overlapping years, organizations, topics, and persons are common among the three, but especially between Set A and Set B. Miscellaneous correspondence is interspersed within each letter of the alphabet under Columbia University and filed at the end of each letter in Set A and Set B.

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Arranged alphabetically by topic or type of material.

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Applications, proposals, contracts, budgets, correspondence, notes, reports, and financial records.

Arranged alphabetically by name of organization and therein by project number.

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Patent and Litigation File, 1898-1994

Correspondence and memoranda, patent applications and patents, attorney files, briefs, depositions, drafts, exhibits, interrogatories, notes, opinions, pleadings, and printed matter.

Arranged into files of legal cases and patents and therein alphabetically by name of person, organization, or case name, or by type of material. Files beginning with the R34 prefix originally belonged to Dana M. Raymond.

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Arranged chronologically by date of event with miscellaneous speeches filed at the end of each year.

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Arranged into writings by Townes and a miscellaneous file and therein alphabetically by type of material and title of work with the numbered works largely arranged by Townes in chronological order.
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Arranged and described according to the series, containers, and folders from which the items were removed.
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Arranged and described according to the series, containers, and folders from which the items were removed.
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